

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al. Prior Art Unit: 2753
Application No.: Continuation Application of Serial No. 08/396,981, filed March 1, 1995 Prior Examiner: N. Hindi

Filed: November 22, 1999

For: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESS

CONTINUATION REISSUE APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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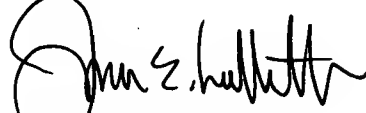
Attached is a continuation application of reissue application no. 08/396,981. This continuation reissue application is being filed under the provisions of Rule 53. The following documents form a part of this submission:

1. A true copy of the parent reissue application including:
 - Twenty-three (23) page specification
 - Eighty-three (83) claims
 - Eighteen (18) sheets of informal drawings (Figs. 1-2, 3A-3B, 4A-4B, 5-8, 9A-9B, 10-17 and 18A-18B)
 - Abstract
2. Preliminary Amendment
3. Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449
4. Confirmation Claim for Priority
5. PTO Rule 53(f) Letter

CALCULATION OF FILING FEES

Basic Filing Fee	= \$ 760.00
Total Claims 26 (Filed) - 20 (Allowed) = 6 (Extra) x \$18.00	= \$ 108.00
Independent Claims 8 (Filed) - 3 (Allowed) = 5 (Extra) x \$78.00	= \$ 390.00
Total Filing Fee	= \$ 1,258.00

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ASSIGNMENT BRANCH

Original U.S. Patent No. 5,235,581
(serial no. 07/740,629,
issued August 10, 1993)

Reissue Application Serial No.: New Application

Reissue Application Filing Date:

Title: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL
DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESSES.

OFFER TO SURRENDER ORIGINAL PATENT

The Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned Applicants of the above-captioned Reissue Application for the reissue of Letters Patent for an improvement in OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESSES, Patent No. 5,235,581, granted to them on August 10, 1993, of which Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. is now sole owner by assignment and on whose behalf and with whose assent the accompanying application is made, hereby offer to surrender said Letters Patent. An Order for Title Report is filed concurrently with the filing of the Reissue Application, as required in such cases. The original Letters Patent will be forwarded to the Patent and Trademark Office upon notification that the Reissue Application is in condition for allowance. A soft copy of said patent is attached hereto for reference.

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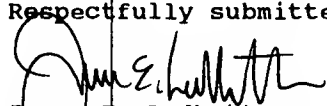
ORDER FOR TITLE REPORT

The Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please have a duly certified Abstract of Title of United
States Letters Patent 5,235,581 granted August 10, 1993 to
Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., as Assignee of Naoyasu
MIYAGAWA and Yasuhiro GOTOH, prepared and placed in the file of
the above-identified application for reissue of said patent.
The fee may be charged to Deposit Account 19-4375.

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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO REISSUE

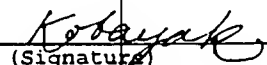
The Honorable Commissioner of
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Sir:

The undersigned, a duly authorized representative of
Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., the Assignee of the
entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 5,235,581
(see the attached copy of an Assignment recorded at Reel 5796,
Frame 668), hereby assents to the Reissue Application of the
above-captioned patent. The evidentiary documents of title have
been reviewed and the undersigned certifies that, to the best of
the Assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the Assignee
seeking to take action. The undersigned hereby avers that he is
empowered to sign this Assent of Assignee to Reissue on behalf
of the Assignee.

For and on behalf of

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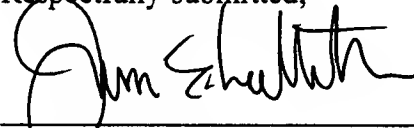
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Attached is a Reissue Continuation Application of Serial No. 08/396,981 filed March 1, 1995 which is being filed without a signed Declaration under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.53. The names, addresses and citizenship of the inventors are as follows:

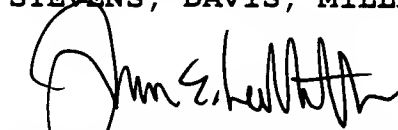
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The Declaration will be filed within the time specified for such filing.

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CONFIRMATION CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following foreign application filed in the following foreign country and priority provided in the 35 USC §119 have been claimed for the above-identified application:

**JAPANESE PATENT APPLICATION NO. 02-212537
FILED August 9, 1990**

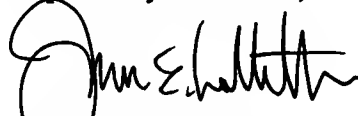
**JAPANESE PATENT APPLICATION NO. 02-285006
FILED October 22, 1990**

**JAPANESE PATENT APPLICATION NO. 03-044798
FILED March 11, 1991**

Certified copies of these priority documents were filed on February 6, 1992 in parent application serial no. 07/740,629 filed August 5, 1991 (USPN 5,235,581, issued August 10, 1993), and acknowledged by the Patent Office in paper no. 4 (mailed August 17, 1992) of the parent application.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 USC §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these papers.

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